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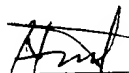
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- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**
- This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing", an initial paper or compact disc copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the application. Applicant must also provide a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). If applicant desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e) may be submitted in lieu of a new CRF.

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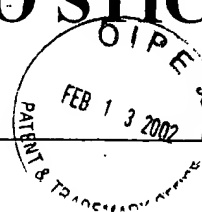
Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, Filing Date Granted mailed January 3, 2002, Applicants submit the following documents to complete the filing for the above-identified patent application:

1. Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application (3 pages);
2. Sequence Listing in computer readable form and paper copy, and Statement Under 37 CFR 1.821;
3. Preliminary Amendment; and
4. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, Filing Date Granted (Form PTO-1533)

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Respectfully submitted,

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